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Identical letters dated 7 January 2015 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I should like to convey to you the following information:

From 2011 to 22 December 2014, some 16,861 Syrian civilians, including 1,810 children, have been killed by bombings and mortar shell attacks carried out by armed terrorist groups against Syrian cities. The number of civilians injured in those bombings and attacks stands at 14,980, including 2,689 children.

Those figures cover all Syrian governorates, with the exception of Raqqah. They do not include the members of the Syrian Arab Army, security services and law enforcement forces who died in clashes with terrorist organizations and individual terrorists, including foreign terrorist fighters and mercenaries who were brought into Syria by those States that support terrorism in order to wreak havoc in the country, in a stark and ongoing violation of Security Council resolutions 1267 (1999), 1373 (2001), 1989 (2011), 2170 (2014) and 2178 (2014). The above-mentioned figures also do not include those civilians who were assassinated, had their throats cut or were killed in some other savage, criminal manner favoured by those terrorist organizations.

The Government of the Syrian Arab Republic once again calls on the Security Council to shoulder its responsibility and condemn and hold accountable the regimes of those States that support terrorism, at the forefront of which are the governing regimes of Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Qatar. It should also require those regimes to cease their destructive practices, which threaten international peace and security.

I should be grateful if the present letter could be issued as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 107, and of the Security Council.

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